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IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

Applicant : Taka-Aki Sato  
International  
Application No. : PCT/US00/15621  
Filed : 7 June 2000  
For : GENE ENCODING NADE, P75<sup>NTR</sup>-ASSOCIATED  
CELL DEATH EXECUTOR AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE ACCOMPANYING \$371 NATIONAL STAGE  
APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. \$1.53**

Applicants request that the following amendment be made in the  
above-identified application:

**In the Specification:**

After page 86, please add pages 87-106 of Sequence Listing,  
attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 2-4, 7-8, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21-22, 24-25,  
27-28, 31-38, 40, 42, 45, 47, 51-52, 54, 56-68, 70-72, 74-77, 81-  
82, 84, 88-89, 92-99, 101, 103-104, and 106-130 without  
disclaimer or prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the  
subject matter of these claims in a future continuation or  
divisional application.